

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Berleman House

AND/OR COMMON

Same

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

115 South Main Street

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Edwardsville

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Illinois

VICINITY OF

CODE 012

COUNTY
Madison

CODE
119

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

City of Edwardsville

STREET & NUMBER

400 North Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Edwardsville

VICINITY OF

STATE

Illinois

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Madison County Court House

STREET & NUMBER

Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Edwardsville

STATE

Illinois

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Illinois Historic Structures Survey

DATE

October 1973

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Illinois Department of Conservation, 405 East Washington St.

CITY, TOWN

Springfield

STATE

Illinois

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE		CHECK ONE	
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED	DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED			
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED				

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Built ca. 1868, the Berleman House is a one-story rectangular brick residence with gable roof and one chimney. Double-hung rectangular windows are four over four lights with segmental arches. The entranceway is elaborately detailed. Pilasters utilizing the doric order support a finely detailed cornice and flattened pediment. A recessed door, framed by smaller, more delicate pilasters, has both transom and side lights.

Interior door and window trim -- also Greek Revival in its simplistic clarity -- is intact. Original rough sawn oak joists and pine floors are also intact.

In 1892 a frame addition was constructed on the west side (rear) of the original structure. The roof of the addition is more steeply pitched than the roof of the original structure. The addition has one chimney on its west gable end and one door on its north side. Two dormer windows (one on the north side, the other on the south) are double-hung and are four over four lights. Double-hung windows on the ground level are one over one light.

Alterations to the structure since its construction include the application of asphalt roofing and the removal of a wood fence from the entrance yard. The north and west lawns of the Berleman House are now parking lots.

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES ca. 1868

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Samual Morrison/Charles Spillman

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Berleman House has been identified by Architectural Historian Paul Sprague (former Director, Illinois Historic Structures Survey, Illinois Department of Conservation) as one of the 42 outstanding examples of "early one-story Greek & Federal -- 1800-1860 -- residences" in the State of Illinois.

With its asymmetrical facade, side hall plan, low-pitched roof, simple rectangular form, lack of projections, smooth wall surfaces, double-hung four over four rectangular windows, and interior Greek Revival molding, the Berleman House is, for the most part, a typical midwestern interpretation of Greek Revival architecture as applied to residences. It is a bit finer than most, however, given such an elaborately detailed entryway for such a modestly scaled dwelling.

HISTORY

The Berleman House was built between 1864 and 1868 (probably in 1865 after the end of the Civil War) by local builder Samual Morrison and prominent local architect Charles Spillman. In 1868 Herman Berleman, a German immigrant and a carpenter by trade, bought the house. Berleman constructed the frame addition onto the rear of the structure in 1895. The Berleman family lived in the house until 1962.

Although the Berleman House was scheduled for demolition by the city of Edwardsville current plans, under the auspices of the Edwardsville Historic Preservation Commission, include preservation and adaptive reuse of the structure.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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Illustrated Encyclopedia and Atlas Map of Madison County, Illinois 1873, Brink-McCormick of Illinois, St. Louis, Mo., 1873.
 Norton, W.T., Centennial History of Madison County, Illinois, Lewis Publishing Co., Chicago, Illinois, 1912.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY Less than one

QUADRANGLE NAME _____

QUADRANGLE SCALE _____

UTM REFERENCES

A
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING

B
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Lot # 486 of Todd and others, addition to Edwardsville, transcribed in Plat Book 19 at page 35 in the Recorder's office of Madison County, Illinois in the city of Edwardsville, Madison County, Illinois.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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CITY OR TOWN Edwardsville
 Springfield

STATE Illinois
 Illinois

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL _____ STATE _____ LOCAL _____

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

TITLE

DATE

FOR NPS USE ONLY

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

ATTEST:

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

CHIEF OF REGISTRATION